As the location of BJP office use strategically unsuitable for posting of a static guard the suggestion of I.G.P., Chandigarh to cover the BJP office by beat and mobile patrolling was accepted by Shri Hitabhilashi and beat and mobile patrolling was accordingly increased around the BJP's office. For want of details, identity of the strangers could not be established in spite of the best efforts made by the local police.

Financing of sick textile units

797. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gujarat Government has given a guarantee of Rs. 100 crores to banks for financing marginally sick textile units;

(b) if so, what are the total amounts of financial aid provided by the banks to the sick units in Gujarat, after the Government has given this guarantee; and

(c) how many textile mills are sick for financing and what are the other facilities being provided to them to remove the sickness?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) Subject matter of the question relates to the Government of Gujarat. This Ministry does not have anything to do with it.

(c) As on 20.6.1988, the cases of 93 different types of textile units has been registered with the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction under the Sick Industrial Companies Act. The Board determines the preventive ameliotrative, remedial and other measures in respect of sick industrial companies. A Nodal Agency has been set up to examine sick textile mills in order to ascertain whether they are potentially viable or not. It evolves and manages rehabilitation packages for mills found to be potentially viable. A Textile Modernisation fund has also been set up to meet the modernisation needs of weak but viable textile units.

Garment exports

798. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a press report about the statement made by Shri N. K. Goyal, Chairman, Apparel Export Promotion Council about India's garment exports becoming uncompetitive in the international markets due to competition from our textile mills; and

(b) if so, what is the Government's reaction and what steps are proposed to be taken to remedy the situation thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian garment exports will have to face competition from garments produced from all countries including those mentioned in the press report. There is a market for our fabrics in countries like Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Mauritius, Nepal, Dubai etc. which we can not afford to lose. The Government is taking all necessary steps to increase the exports of garments.

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799. **श्री राम नरेश यादव** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या विगत उप-चुनाव के दौरान मेरठ जिले में गोली चलाये जाने का आदेश दिये जाने के बारे में सी०बी०आई० द्वारा जांच पूरी कर ली गई है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में जांच रिपोर्ट का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और